



LIKE DARIUS GREEN.

Thrilling Adventure of a Lithuanian and His Flying Machine.

Frightened, Excited Villagers Think Him a Vampire from Hell and Bring Him and His Machine to Grief with a Rifle Ball.

Jan Holodnick, a poor Lithuanian living at Cranberry, a mining hamlet near Hazleton, Pa., thinks he has invented a flying machine that will fly. He tried it one night and came to grief in a different way from Darius Green. Under the pretense of being ill, Jan has held aloof from his fellow countrymen and devoted months of time and labor to his invention, which he jealously guarded in the attic of his home. One Saturday night he decided to test the machine. He gathered his apparatus together and by traversing unfrequented alleys in order not to attract attention succeeded in reaching a huge culm bank which towers above the village. From the dirt bank the inventor was to jump and fly away. But several of the villagers saw the queer-looking form outlined against the sky and moving along the top of the culm pile like a huge vampire.

The report spread that a devil or some terrible monster was threatening the village. A crowd rapidly gathered and soon became an excited mob. Several shots were fired at Jan. The inventor, realizing his danger, leaped from his position and flapped his wings. There were whirling sounds of rapidly-revolving wheels and the machine floated over the heads of the now thoroughly-frightened mob below, one of whom aimed a rifle at the supposed monster and fired. The shot plainly took effect, for the machine collapsed, and, falling rapidly, struck the ground with much force.

The villagers were afraid to approach the gruesome object, but the bold bird gradually drew near. They heard moans coming from the wreck of the machine and presently they were amazed to see Jan, badly bruised, encircled in a network of steel wires and carried. He was taken from the wreck and then he explained the affair to his startled friends. He was badly bruised, but not seriously hurt. Jan says that if the rifle ball had not smashed one of the main levers he would have been able to demonstrate the power of his machine to move in any direction, ascend or descend and to fly against opposing currents of air.

FLEET OF STEEL CANAL BOATS.

Ordered Built by the Cleveland Steel Canal Boat Company—Their Advantages.

The Cleveland Steel Canalboat company has awarded to Lewis Nixon, of Elizabeth, N. J., the contract to build 15 steel boats, having a total length of a quarter of a mile. This is the first fleet of boats of this kind ordered. It marks a new era in cheaper and safer transportation to the seaboard. Each boat will be 100 feet long, 15 feet beam and 12 feet depth of hold. Each will be strong enough to carry freight on the lakes, where the storms are often as severe as on the sea. The fleet will carry 3,000 tons of cargo. It has storage capacity of 100,000 bushels of wheat.

With an unbroken transit direct to the eastern mills, or delivered along-side foreign-going steamships at their wharves in New York, it is expected that an appreciable lessening of cost will be obtained. The boats are to be built at the Crescent ship yard and are to be completed by May 1, 1896.

WAS FULL OF MINNOWS.

Santa Fe Engineer Discovers Why His Brake Refuses to Work Properly. Byron Ghent, a Santa Fe engineer who pulls a train in the Kaw valley between Topeka and Kansas City, Kan., tells a remarkable story. He says while running in a dense fog one morning recently he observed that the air supply was not sufficient to handle the train, although the pump was working perfectly. He stopped the train, and after examining the various appliances of the pump and finding that none were disabled he removed the covering from the air-drum and was astonished to find in the bottom, clogging the passage to the train, several hundred tiny minnows, which had been pumped in. Ghent says that is a common occurrence in the winter fog, as the small fishes are so light they easily support themselves in the dense atmosphere.

IMMENSE GOLD NUGGET FOUND

Came from North Carolina and Weighs Nearly Thirty-Two Pounds. Not a little excitement was aroused in Salisbury, N. C., the other day by the announcement of the finding at El Dorado, Montgomery county, of a large gold nugget weighing thirty-two pounds and seven ounces avoirdupois and worth \$9,000 or \$10,000. A similar excitement was created last summer, when a number of large nuggets were unearthed, two at Crawford, Stanley county, being 19½ and 5½ pounds respectively. This last find is one of the largest known, and will put hundreds to work looking for the pockets and placers that exist in this section, covering an area of several counties.

Sea Water for London.

It is proposed to supply London with sea water for bathing by pumping the water from the channel, near Brighton, and conveying it to a great reservoir on Epsom Downs, from which it would flow downhill to London.

An Automatic Curiosity.

A match-cutting machine is quite an automatic curiosity. It cuts 10,000,000 matches a day, and then arranges them over a vat, where the heads are put on a surprising rate of speed.

The Hornpipe.

The dance designated "hornpipe" derives its name from a rustic musical instrument known and thus called in Wales.

A VALUABLE DOCUMENT.

New Light on the Venezuelan Boundary Dispute.

Clearly Shows That England Had No Idea of Claiming Disputed Territory Until Schomburgk Discovered the Great Wealth of the Region.

In the last few days the state department has made a discovery of considerable importance to the Venezuelan boundary dispute, which throws new documentary light on the British contention of ownership west of the Schomburgk line and Lord Salisbury's refusal to agree to arbitration east of that line. In the opinion of those officials who are engaged in studying the various phases of the controversy, this official document demonstrates that England had no idea of claiming a large part of Venezuela until Schomburgk's scientific explorations had disclosed the great wealth of the region, and that she then determined to make exorbitant claims, trusting that part of them would stick. It is also their opinion that the document supplies a large part of Salisbury's reply to Olney by showing that the English premier has not been entirely disingenuous in his relation of matters of fact. Lord Salisbury in undertaking to correct Mr. Olney's statement that the dispute began at least as early as 1814, which he says is founded on misconception, declares that the dispute on the subject of the frontier did not in fact commence until after the year 1840, and he then proceeds to narrate the true circumstances connected with the marking of what is called the Schomburgk line.

The newly-discovered document consists of a letter from Viscount Leveson (afterwards Earl Granville), British under secretary of state for foreign affairs, to Sir James Stephen, permanent under secretary for the colonies, written under instructions from Lord Palmerston, secretary of foreign affairs, for the guidance of Lord John Russell, secretary for war and colonies. This important letter shows exactly what went on inside the British cabinet at the time. It will be remembered that Schomburgk had been sent out by the Royal Geographical society in 1835, with funds supplied by the government, to explore the Orinoco river, and that on his return to England in 1839, and apparently as a result of his familiarity with the resources of that country, the government chose him as the most available person to select the richest territory in Guiana, which would naturally constitute England's share in any subsequent division. The note is as follows:

"Foreign Office, 15 March, 1840. 'Sir: I am directed by Viscount Palmerston to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst., enclosing copies and extracts of despatches and their enclosures from Mr. Light, governor of British Guiana, relative to the expediency of an arrangement being made with the Brazilian, Venezuelan and Netherlands governments, by which the boundaries of British Guiana may be accurately defined. 'With reference to that part of your letter in which you state that Lord John Russell considers it to be important that the boundaries of British Guiana should be ascertained and agreed upon, if possible, and that Mr. Schomburgk's researches in those parts have qualified him to do so in a manner to be of use, should the services of any person acquainted with the geography of British Guiana be required for fixing the boundaries of the British territory, I am to state to you that the course of proceeding which Lord Palmerston would suggest for the consideration of Lord John Russell is that a map of British Guiana should be made out according to the boundaries described by Schomburgk; that the said map should be accompanied by a memorandum detailing the natural features which define and constitute the boundaries in question and that copies of that map and memorandum be delivered to the governments of Venezuela, of Brazil and of the Netherlands, as a statement of the British claim. That in the meanwhile British commissioners should be sent there to erect land marks on the ground, in order to mark out by permanent erections the line of boundary so sketched by Great Britain, and that each of the three governments above mentioned to make any objection which they may desire to bring forward against those boundaries and to state the reasons upon which such objections might be founded and that her Majesty's government would give such answers thereto as might appear proper and just.

In reference to the last paragraph, it may be stated that Brazil did withdraw from Pirara, and that the southern boundary of British Guiana has now advanced over 100 miles beyond that point. Daniel Haggart, a resident of Paw Paw, Mich., died recently from causes which the doctors were unable to explain. Before his death in a delirium Haggart said he had swallowed a large brass door key. The doctors held a post-mortem examination, and sure enough a brass key was found in his stomach. The poison produced by corroding of the key caused death.

Hunters Do Not Hunt. Two hunters of Boone, Idaho, had a sorrowful experience recently. They spent half a day loading shells, being dissatisfied with those on sale, and next morning drove 25 miles to the hunting grounds. On arriving there they discovered that they had left all their ammunition at home in Boone.

A Bible Institute for San Francisco. A Bible institute, planned after the great undertaking of Dwight L. Moody at Chicago, is to be established in San Francisco under the superintendency of Miss Mendora Derry, supported by the ministers of all the leading evangelical churches.

Cheap Horse Flesh. Horses sold at auction in Chillicothe, Mo., a few days ago at three dollars apiece.

A Pointer for Preachers. Preachers now and then are called upon to administer stinging rebukes to occupants of pews. We hear of a minister who was annoyed by people giggling, talking and generally disturbing the services. He paused, looked at the disturbers and said: "I am always afraid to rebuke those who misbehave in church for this reason. 'Some years ago as I was preaching, a young man who sat before me was constantly talking, laughing and making uncounted grimaces. I paused and administered a severe rebuke. After the services a gentleman came to me and said: 'Sir, you have made a great mistake. That young man is an idiot.' Since then I have always been afraid to rebuke those who misbehave lest I should repeat that mistake and rebuke another idiot.' Good order prevailed during the rest of the service."

Mrs. Humphrey Ward—Dr. Jowett. The late Dr. Jowett is reported to have once said to Mrs. Humphrey Ward: "We shall come in the future to teach almost entirely by biography. We shall begin with the life that is most familiar to us, 'The Life of Christ,' and we shall more and more put before our children the great examples of persons' lives so that they shall have from the beginning heroes and friends in their thoughts."

The editors of this magazine thoroughly agree with Dr. Jowett. It has been, for a long time, their great desire to publish in these pages a "Life of Christ" which shall be to quote Mr. Hall Caine's words in the December McClure's, "as vivid as a personal from the standpoint of belief as Renan's was from the standpoint of unbelief."

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